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THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN GEOGRAPHY AND THE HUMAN ECOLOGY DIVISION presents

Green Promises

14 November 2019, 10:15–12:00

Proletarian Ecology: Environmental Politics Beyond the Professional Class

The climate crisis is dire and there's little time to address it. Solving it will require a mass movement to confront some of the most powerful corporations in world history. Yet, the environmental movement – as currently constituted – is not well positioned to win this kind of transformative change. In his talk, Matt critically examines the narrow class base of environmentalism in the professional classes (e.g., scientists, academics, journalists). He argues

for a broader working class environmental politics, or a proletarian ecology, that appeals to the majority of society struggling in an age of unprecedented inequality and economic insecurity.

*Matthew T Huber, Associate Professor of Geography at Syracuse University. He is the author of *Lifeblood: Oil, Freedom and the Forces of Capital* (University of Minnesota Press, 2013).*

20 November 2019, 10:15–12:00

Beyond Greening? The Transformative Potential of Post-Growth Economies

In his talk, Christian confronts the partly neo-liberal discourses on the “Green Economy” and resource efficiency, with the more critical contributions from de-growth scholarship. In doing so, he identifies two pressing issues: 1) the need to further “spatialize” the concept of de-growth, and 2) the need for economic geographers to contribute conceptually and methodologically to broader academic and

societal debates on economic transitions towards post-growth regimes.

Christian Schulz, Professor at the Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning, University of Luxembourg, specializing in European Sustainable Spatial Development and Analysis.

Where? Världen in Geocentrum I at Sölvegatan 10